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Mrs. Louise Luetgert Supposed to
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MYSTERY OF THE CHICAGO MURDER.

The Missing Wife of the Sausage Ma-
ker Said to Have Been in a
Local Saloon on Tues-
day Last.

Louis Luetgert is in the Chicago jail,
charged with the murder of his wife,
whom it is charged, he killed at his sau-
sage factory. The supposed remains of
the woman, together with finger rings
were found by the officers in one of
the big vats. Mrs. Luetgert had
disappeared and murder was laid at the
door of the husband. He contends that
he did not kill his wife and that her dis-
appearance is also a mystery to him.
Luetgert has offered a reward of \$200
for information as to the whereabouts of his
wife.

A woman supposed to have been the
missing Mrs. Luetgert was seen at Kenos-
ha, Wis. on May 6, and Chicago papers
give considerable space to all that per-
tains to that story, printing the names of
four persons who claim to have seen the
lady.

The following is a description of Mrs.
Luetgert:
Mrs. Luetgert is 42 years old, weighs
117 pounds and is about five feet high.
The pictures published of her are a little
too full in the face and flatter her some-
what. When she disappeared she was
dressed in a brown flannel wrapper with
small white spots, which was buttoned in
front. She wore cloth slippers with
leather soles, blue woolen stockings, white
moulinet chemise with small lace or "rick-
rack," black corset, white cotton flannel
drawers, and a square brownish gray
shawl. She had blonde hair which reached
to her shoulder blades and generally
wore a switch. Her upper teeth were
false and on a silver plate; two of her
lower teeth had gold crowns. She had
a mole on her forehead, one on her
cheek and one on her chin.

Seen in Decatur.
It is claimed by John R. Dougherty
that he saw Mrs. Luetgert in his saloon
on Prairie avenue on last Tuesday fore-
noon. She answered perfectly the above
description. Dougherty says: "I saw
the woman pass my saloon and walk up
to the bank corner. I went inside and a
few minutes later the same woman came
in at the back door. She had an umbrel-
la and wore dark clothes. She seemed to
be about 40 years of age and looked as if
she had lost sleep or had been on a spree.
She wanted a glass of beer, and said she
had had no supper nor breakfast and
that she was very thirsty. Said she had
walked 180 miles and was a stranger in
town. She inquired about the Mueller
and I told her where the gun store and
the factory could be found. The woman
said there was a money order at the post-
office for her. It had been sent to her
from Chicago by her sister, but she could
not get it until she could procure \$15 and
she hoped to get that sum from Mrs.
Mueller. I thought she was off in her
head when she talked that way, and I
paid but little attention to her. She went
out promising to come back and pay for
the glass of beer. I have not seen or heard
of her since, though one of the police offi-
cers thinks he saw the same woman on
the streets on Tuesday, the day she was
in my place. When I read the description
of the missing woman in the Chicago pa-
pers yesterday I was sure that the woman
who was in my place was Mrs. Luetgert,
and I reported all I know about her to
the officers. They have since been trying
to locate her."

That was all Mr. Dougherty could tell.
Inquiry at the Mueller place of business
today fails to show that the woman called
at either place on Tuesday. The Mueller
do not know the Luetgerts and they can-
not understand why the stranger should
be seeking them except on the theory that
she is demented.

Possibly the woman to whom Dough-
erty gave a glass of beer is the Luetgert
woman. If so she should be located as
soon as possible, because her husband
stands charged with her murder.

The police will continue the search. It
is probable that if she was here on Tues-
day she is now far away in some other
town on the route of her wanderings.

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and possible destruction, after having
passed the three-mile limit from the Unit-
ed States.

"The idea is held by some that, with
the recognition of belligerency, Cuba could
fit out vessels of war in ports of the Unit-
ed States that might prey upon Spanish
merchants and fight Spanish cruisers.
This idea is erroneous. The moment the
United States granted recognition of bel-
ligerency she would also assume a posi-
tion of strict neutrality. Arms and mu-
nitions might be purchased by either
side, but expeditions of men for military
service or the fitting out of vessels to fight
would not be allowed. England allowed
such things to be done, and she paid dear-
ly for it. I do not think that the com-
merce of the United States would be ben-
efited at this time by the granting of bel-
ligerent rights to the Cubans."

Important Baptist Meeting.
Pittsburg, Pa., May 22.—The first ses-
sion of the commission on systematic
Christian beneficence of the Baptist
church was held today. Chairman Bar-
bour stated the work of the year had been
heavy but good results have already been
attained.

Base Ball.
National League.
Boston 11, St. Louis 1.
Pittsburg 6, Philadelphia 5.
Brooklyn 8, Louisville 6.
Cincinnati 6, Baltimore 5.

Western League.
Indianapolis 19, St. Paul 18.
Milwaukee 9, Columbus 8.
Grand Rapids 14, Minneapolis 6.
Detroit 6, Kansas City 2.

How They Stand.
Won. Lost. P. ct.
Baltimore.....19 5 .792
Cincinnati.....18 7 .720
Pittsburg.....15 7 .682
Boston.....14 9 .609
Philadelphia.....13 11 .542
Cleveland.....11 11 .500
Louisville.....10 11 .476
Brooklyn.....10 13 .435
New York.....7 11 .389
Chicago.....7 16 .304
Washington.....6 15 .286
St. Louis.....5 19 .208

Murderer Hoelmann's Brain.
Chicago, Ill., May 22.—The head of
Friedrich Hoelmann, who was hanged at Pax-
ton May 14 for the murder of Mrs. Gedde
in Cook county, is now in possession of
Prof. A. O. Krohn of the chair of psychol-
ogy at the University of Illinois. A care-
ful examination has been made of the
brain and skull, and some of the discov-

eries are considered of much importance.
Prof. Krohn has used the brain and skull
for certain demonstrations before his class
in psychology. The brain weighs 53
ounces, and differs in many respects from
a normal brain. For example, on the pos-
terior part, the little brain, the cerebel-
lum, instead of lying under the cerebrum,
the latter folding down over it like a cap,
protrudes from under the cerebrum, and
is so held by ligaments that it can not be
pushed back into a normal position. The
fissure of rolendo, a regular sigmoid line
in the normal brain, is broken and irreg-
ular and entirely out of form. No micro-
scopic examination has yet been made,
but it is expected that this will reveal as
great variations from normal structure as
appears from the mere outward form. The
interior of the brain has not yet been
opened.

EX-SENATOR EDMUNDS OBJECTS.
Vermonters Think Cuba Should Not Be
Recognized.
Philadelphia, May 22.—Ex-Senator
George F. Edmunds of Vermont, has dis-
cussed the action of the United States sen-
ate with reference to the passing of the
resolution recognizing Cuban belliger-
ency.

"I am free to say," said Mr. Edmunds,
"that I do not think the senate was jus-
tified in taking such action at this time.
When there was war between the north
and south in this country the Washington
and south in this country the Washington
government protested strongly against the
recognition of the confederacy by foreign
powers. England and France headed the
protest for some time, but eventually bel-
ligerency was acknowledged.

"At the time of the protest against
such recognition there was in the south a
regularly organized government. Its civil
branch was an important one, and its
seat of government was known to the
world over. Yet despite these facts, the
United States protested strongly, and
afterward made England pay for the dam-
age done by cruisers fitted out in her
ports.

"As far as my information goes, Cuba
has not reached such a stage as was
reached by the southern states. She is
still an integral part of Spain. The Cu-
ban cause is represented primarily by the
military power, and I repeat that there
seems to me an excuse, at the present
time, for the action of the senate. Of
course, we all know that the American
people are in entire

ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Cost of Sixty Minutes' Fighting by the North Atlantic Squadron.

Enormous Expense of Naval Warfare—The Warships Indiana and Brooklyn Alone Would Use Up \$200,000 Worth of Ammunition.

(Copyright, 1897.)

At Newport on June 1 the naval officers assigned to form the class of instruction for the term will assemble at the war college to study the most expensive problem with which nations have now to deal in their plans of defense and offense.

Naval warfare has become so expensive that naval strategy must be understood thoroughly by naval officers in order that the greatest results may be obtained with the least amount of actual fighting. For this reason every year a number of naval officers are sent to the war college to study the most effective employment of sea power. Modern naval warfare is the most expensive sort of fighting.

Approximate figures gathered from the best authorities show in a startling manner how costly naval warfare has become.

It would cost \$1,000,000 in powder and shot alone for the North Atlantic fleet to fight one hour.

The cost of the powder and steel that one modern battle ship would fire away in one hour's fighting is as great as the cost of building a creditable man-of-war in the days before the nations began to build fleets of iron and steel. The Indiana, for instance, in an hour's fight would expend powder and shot to the value of \$111,654.40 from her main battery alone, and to that must be added the cost of the fire from her machine guns and rapid fires of small caliber.

The United States has five squadrons afloat—the North Atlantic, the South Atlantic, the European, the Asiatic and the Pacific. Of these the most powerful is the North Atlantic. To keep that fleet in action for one hour would cost at least \$1,000,000 for powder and shot. One of the big battleships would burn up about 60 tons of powder, and powder

conduct an entire naval war at the beginning of the century.

With this greatly increased cost of firing off a gun on board ship has come a positive necessity for great skill and cool judgment in "the man behind the gun." A fleet in which the gunners simply fired off their guns as rapidly as they could without hitting anything, unless by accident, would start a nation on the road to bankruptcy without doing much harm to the enemy. Hence the need of constant target practice, discipline and instruction. Yet target practice is itself expensive, and only the rich nations can afford to give their fleets the requisite amount of it. Only the wealthy nations of the world can afford to fight them. If the North Atlantic fleet fought for four hours it would use up in the value of powder and shot the entire yearly revenues of Greece.

One interesting thing to be seen from the table given herewith is that it costs considerably less to fight those effective vessels, the monitors Puritan, Amphitrite and Terror, than it does the second-class cruisers Montgomery, Raleigh and Marblehead. The monitors carry four heavy guns each (the Puritan 12-inch and the others ten-inch) and could engage a battle ship, while the cruisers mentioned have no guns larger than a six-inch. The Iowa, also, it will be seen, is a more economical ship than the other two first-class battle ships, the Indiana and the Massachusetts.

As the monitor type is distinctly American and as the first monitor on that glorious day at Hampton roads revolutionized naval warfare, and was the germ from which all modern fleets have sprung, this is particularly gratifying. The only fault with ships of the monitor class is that they are of necessity slow.

To illustrate again the immense expense of naval warfare, take two ships out of the table, say the first-class battle ship Indiana and the first-class cruiser Brooklyn. The contract price of the Indiana was \$3,020,000 and of the Brooklyn \$2,956,000, and both of these ships won large bonuses and their armaments cost a big fortune. But take them at their contract price alone and we have two ships, one of them not a battle ship, costing together \$5,976,000,

Everything Went. Ned—What did you do after you had pledged your heart, your love and your faith? Ted—Pledged my watch to get the ring.—N. Y. Journal.

To Be Sure.

"Come, now, do you really believe he married her for love?" "To be sure. The kind of love that the Bible says is the root of all evil."—Boston Transcript.

Exercising.

Wife—Husband, how much blood is there in the human body? Husband—Well, I have been shaving myself for the last ten years, and I still bleed.—Up-to-Date.

Glass mirrors first made by Venetian in the thirteenth century. Polished metal was used before that time.

The term "Almighty Dollar" originated with Washington Irving, as a satire on the American love for gain.

The highest range of mountains are the Himalayas, the main elevation being from 16,000 to 18,000 feet.

The first volunteer fire company in the United States was at Philadelphia, 1796.

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NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON IN ACTION, FIRING OFF \$1,000,000 WORTH OF POWDER AND SHELL IN AN HOUR.

der costs the government 27 cents a pound. The whole North Atlantic fleet, including the Iowa, would burn up over 335 tons from the main batteries alone. And that is powder used to send projectiles from the guns, and does not include the bursting charges of explosives in the shells.

This table will give some idea of the expense in powder and shot of fighting the North Atlantic fleet for one hour:

Ship	Cost of powder, shot	Total
Indiana	\$33,134.40	\$75,320.00
Iowa	23,307.00	53,489.60
Massachusetts	51,124.40	111,654.40
New York	23,771.20	53,831.20
Brooklyn	28,102.40	63,802.40
Columbia	15,800.00	35,550.00
Maine	14,472.00	32,236.00
Texas	14,254.00	31,851.00
Terror	4,752.00	10,608.00
Amphitrite	4,752.00	10,608.00
Puritan	9,288.00	20,796.00
Raleigh	21,070.00	47,360.00
Montgomery	16,752.00	37,320.00
Marblehead	18,792.00	42,432.00
Totals	\$299,222.10	\$640,322.10

This is the cost of firing the main batteries alone. A ship's main battery consists of all guns of over three-inch caliber. The main battery is supplemented by a battery of machine and small caliber rapid-fire guns.

The estimate in the table as to the cost of shot is based on the cost of common shell for the 13-inch, 8-inch, 5-inch and 4-inch guns and of armor-piercing projectiles for the 12, 10 and 6-inch guns. In actual battle a greater percentage of armor-piercing projectiles would be used and the cost for the main batteries much augmented. With this and the expenditures of the light guns (the machine and small rapid-fire) it can be seen at a glance that \$1,000,000 of Uncle Sam's money and over would disappear in the course of an hour.

It might be argued that a ship would not put all her guns in action at the same time, but in modern naval tactics the ships circle about and "yaw" from one side to the other, so as to keep as many guns bearing as possible, and are so constructed that at all times the heavier guns can be kept bearing on the enemy. All things considered, \$1,000,000 is not a large estimate for the cost of powder and shot expended in one hour's hard fighting.

Some idea of the cost of firing a big gun may be gathered from the fact that an armor-piercing projectile from a 12-inch gun costs \$377.62, and it takes 430 pounds of powder to send it on its mission of destruction. A 12-inch gun can be fired once in every three minutes.

A common shell for a 13-inch gun costs \$118.63, and the armor-piercing projectiles for the same gun at least \$300 each. One charge of powder for a 13-inch gun is 550 pounds. An 8-inch gun can be fired once a minute; a 4-inch gun 420 times an hour. But it is the total cost of powder and shot fired away in one hour's engagement which is most impressive as illustrating the immense strides which the costliness of naval warfare has made of late years. One single naval engagement of any duration would cost more in the value of powder and shot expended by the opposing fleets than it would have cost to

expending nearly \$200,000 in shot and shell in one hour's fight. It is hardly to be supposed that from a naval engagement a fleet would come out entirely unscathed, and when to the cost of keeping the North Atlantic squadron in action for one hour in the matter of powder and shot is added the certainty of great injury being done to the costly ships and the probability of the sinking of one or more of them, the figures which would really represent the expense of such a fight to the government mount up not only to \$1,000,000, but to several. The very multiplication table when naval warfare is in question cries out: "Let us have peace." It would seem as if a prolonged naval warfare were impossible in modern times from the great drain it would make on the resources of even the richest countries, if for no other reason.

MAIL SERVICE IN INDIA.

It is Fairly Efficient in Spite of Numerous Difficulties.

India's postal service is conducted under conditions somewhat more difficult than those encountered here. Nothing shows this better than that part of the last annual report made by the Indian post office, which relates to the accidents that have befallen its carriers in the last 12 months. One story is of mail runners overwhelmed by an avalanche on the road to Gilgit, and a second tells of a mail boat attacked by river dacoits in the gray mist of early morning in eastern Bengal, and of the courageous conduct of the boatmen, who, although severely wounded with spear thrusts, beat off their assailants with their bamboo poles. One mail runner was drowned while crossing a torrent in northern India and another was killed by a tiger in the central provinces. To use the postmaster general's own words: "To these perils by snow, by flood and by wild beasts a new peril has been added, if the reports of local officers in Mysore be believed. A mail carrier in that province was brought in with a broken thighbone, due to some mysterious accident which had occurred when he was carrying the mails at night. The police officer and the subordinate magistrate of the Mysore state, who first inquired into the matter, were satisfied that the injury was caused by an evil spirit or the devil, but the more prosaic European officer who subsequently dealt with the case came to the conclusion that it was the work of an enemy who had lain in wait for the runner." Despite all this, and the many languages and innumerable dialects spoken in India, the post office succeeded in delivering all but ten out of every thousand articles entrusted to it.—N. Y. Times.

Threw in a Poem.

The clergyman who tied the knot of a West Poland (Me.) couple recited an impromptu poem as part of the ceremony.

Making Himself Sot.

She—I have heard that you said I was fond of the sound of my own voice. He—Well, you have yourself admitted that you like music.—Tit-Bits.



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LOCAL NEWS.

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John Francis, the alleged chicken thief, was landed in the county jail last night. Deputy Sheriff Holmes brought him over from Terre Haute.

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

If you are troubled with catarrh, asthma or headache, use the German medicator, a perfect cure. mar 16-dit

Fair and festival to be given by the Decatur Turnverein at their hall and park on May 26, 28 and 27. Admission 10 cents.—20-46

Dr. James Leighton, uncle of Mrs. N. E. Pegram of Lincoln, died recently at Manchester, leaving an estate valued at \$300,000.

Bargain sales every day at the C. B. Prescott music house. It will be to your personal interest to see the Reed & Son's and Haines pianos before figuring on other instruments.

Jessamines from the sunny south for sale at Saxton's Book Store.—21-6t

Judicial election two weeks from Monday—June 7. Remember the date and cast your ballot for Wilkin, Vall, Cochran and Wright.

Base ball at the North Edward street park Sunday afternoon and band concert by Goodman's band of thirty pieces same afternoon at Riverside park.

Gentlemen's patent leather and Oxford Goodyear welt shoes \$4.50; Goales' bulldog toes if you can get a fit in the lot, \$1.50 at Powers' Shoe Store.—21-1w

The funeral of the late Miss Minnie Dougan aged 24, daughter of Charles Dougan took place today from the family home near Argenta. The burial was at the Maroa cemetery.

The Sapphonians held a business meeting at the high school yesterday afternoon and decided to change the date of the lawn social to be given at the Curtiss residence from Friday evening, May 28, to Thursday evening, May 27.

Boys' and youths' patent leather low cut shoes 49c; reduced from 59c, at Powers' Shoe Store.—21-1w

Gents, now is the time to look up your spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-class style by people who are experts and practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's Steam Dyeing and Dry Cleaning establishment, 145 North Main street.

The church council of the First English Lutheran church has secured the services of G. P. Kabel for missionary work during the summer. He is a student from the Chicago Theological seminary and will preach his first sermon at St. Luke's mission on Sunday evening. On May 30, he will hold services in Blue Mound and Macon.

Pupils of Profs. Barnaby of Springfield, and Foster of Decatur, will give a recital in the Congregational church on the night of Tuesday, June 8. It will be under the auspices of the ladies of the church. Some of Prof. Barnaby's Springfield pupils will take part. The recital, it is expected, will be one of the most interesting given in Decatur in a long time.

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THE STEELE FUNERAL

Impressive Obsequies Attending the Burial of an Honored Citizen.

SERMON BY THE REV. D. F. HOWE.

"He Was the Servant of His Age" the

Subject—Masonic and G. A.

R. Ceremonies at the

Grave.

The audience room of Grace M. E. church was crowded yesterday afternoon on the occasion of the funeral of the late Major George R. Steele who had many church, fraternal and personal friends in the community. They came to pay by their presence their last tribute to his memory. The several organizations which attended in a body occupied the central pews. Many were unable to find seats. Upon and about the black casket were placed many floral tributes, a number being of massive design.

The services were in charge of the pastor, Rev. W. F. Gilmore, who read a scriptural lesson, closing with a touching prayer. W. F. Calhoun, commander of Post, 141, G. A. R., read an obituary sketch which had appeared in the Republican on Wednesday.

The sermon.

Rev. D. F. Howe, pastor of the First M. E. church, delivered the funeral discourse. The text was: Acts xiii:30: "For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep." The subject was: "He was the servant of his age." Mr. Howe spoke for about thirty minutes and delivered a most excellent address. He said in part:

"It is man's mission to serve his fellow men. Success in life does not consist in the accumulation of wealth, but he makes the greatest success out of life who best serves his fellow men. Major Steele was a great servant of his age. I say so for the following reasons:

"1. He made moral and religious truth more apparent to the whole people by affirming his belief in the doctrines of the church and the principles of the fraternal organizations to which he belonged. He furthermore manifested in his daily life the principles in which he believed. His was a faith proved by works and was all the more effective among his fellows for this very reason.

"2. He was one of the founders of the code of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization which is full of benevolence to the old soldier and has wrought great good for him.

"3. By his great life work, he knew no discouragement through illness or suffering and one might almost say that he died at his desk. He worked on until he became helpless and had to be removed to his home, there to take on his last illness which resulted in death.

"4. By his uniform kindness and goodness and love for his family. He has brought to them through many a long year all that the tenderest love can bring in the way of happiness.

"5. By his patriotism. In common with the other soldiers of the loyal north he fought through to victory the hard battle for freedom, not only here but throughout the world, and as a consequence liberty and a stable government have been demonstrated as safe companions. The union was preserved and all the future generations of America as well as all the countless generations to come in less free countries owe to such men a debt which nothing can ever repay.

Those living in monarchical forms of government have caught the inspiration of our liberty and if the nations of the earth are freer hereafter, it will be due in no small degree to the sacrifices of these noble men who on the field of battle have taught the world that there is no government more stable than that which has liberty for its guiding star."

The speaker then spoke feelingly of his personal relations to Mr. Steele, referring to his pleasant friendship as a memory welcome now and so long as life lasts.

Appropriate selections were given by the choir, D. L. Bunn, Bert Gher, Mrs. A. W. Conklin and Mrs. J. O. Johnson. They sang "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me," and "It is Well."

The cortege which was one of the longest lately witnessed in Decatur formed on Eldorado street and proceeded to Greenwood cemetery. Following the hearse came members of Dunham Post, No. 141, Grand Army of the Republic members of Col. I. C. Pugh camp, No. 14, Sons of Veterans, members of Chevalier Bayard lodge, No. 189, and Couer de Leon lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias, escorted by members of Macon lodge, No. 8, Masons, who had charge of the ceremonies attending the interment at the grave. There were over fifty carriages and private conveyances in the cortege. At the grave when the Masons had concluded their rites, the Grand Army Post observed the military ceremonies due a deceased comrade and taps were sounded by Herman Martin. During the ceremonies the choir sang, "Thy Will Be Done," "Some Sweet Day," and "Never Say Good-bye in Heaven."

The active pall bearers were members of Macon lodge, A. F. and A. M.: C.

L. Hovey, C. M. Imboden, Harry Fish, Mr. J. M. Clokey, Henry F. May and Thomas J. Abel. The honorary pall bearers were from Mr. Steele's old regiment, the 41st, and were E. H. Roby, George W. Betzer, M. F. Kanan, John Ward, James Wilson and F. L. Hays of the 115th regiment, which was commanded by General J. H. Moore, father of Mrs. Steele. In Memoriam.

These resolutions were adopted by the Decatur high school on Friday afternoon: Whereas, It has pleased the Almighty to call from earth the father of our esteemed, classmate, Charles M. Steele; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the class of '97, extend to him our heartfelt sympathy in his sad bereavement and be it also

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Charles Steele, the High School Observer and to the daily papers.

Clara French, Jeannette Drake, Allan Gleason, Ira Hoy, Emma Muthersbaugh.

MILITIA TO BE RUSHED.

Quick Time to be Made to Logan Monument Unveiling—The Encampment.

Governor John R. Tanner will see how quickly he can get all the troops of the state into Chicago. This mobilization of the militia will take place July 23, the day on which the statue of General Logan will be unveiled on the Lake Front park. It is expected the orders to move will be held until the last minute and the commander-in-chief figures that he can have 70,000 uniformed men in camp between sunset of one day and sunrise the next morning. It is thus that the great military pageant, in honor of Illinois' famous leader, will be made a part of the summer drill and a practical demonstration of the ability of the citizen soldiery to get under arms in a hurry in case there should be a need.

Illinois national guardsmen will take possession of Camp Lincoln and begin the regular summer tour of instruction in July. The troops will be encamped this year by regiments instead of brigades, it being the belief of the governor and adjutant-general that much better work can be accomplished when the soldiers are on duty under the direction of their immediate officers.

Daughters of America.

Last night Martha Washington camp, Patriotic Daughters of America, completed the reorganization of their camp at the P. O. S. of A. hall on North Main street and elected officers for the ensuing term. A large attendance of the members of the old camp were in attendance and identified themselves with the new organization. The following are the officers for the ensuing term:

President—Miss Mollie Mackerly. Vice President—Miss Mary Reeve. Master of Ceremonies—Miss Mamie Pool.

Fast President—Mrs. Mary Elchinger. Secretary—Miss Ottilie Cromwell. Treasurer—Mrs. M. Cromwell. Conductor—Miss Mattie Peck. Chaplain—Miss Kate Roberts. The next regular meeting will be held next Friday evening and on each succeeding Friday evening thereafter.

Musical Culture Club.

A business meeting of the Musical Culture club was held Friday at the home of Mrs. Lucien Shellabarger, when reports were read and these officers elected:

President—Miss Maud Burrows. Vice President—Mrs. E. P. Vail. Secretary—Mrs. Lucien Shellabarger. Treasurer—Miss Bertha Roach.

The next meeting of the club is to be held next Friday night at the home of Mrs. A. B. Alexander on Powers avenue. A fine program is being arranged for this last open meeting of the season. A feature of the meeting will be a reception tendered to the sculptor, Leonard Crunelle and wife. Mr. C. will have on exhibition specimens of his art.

The Connelly-Kretzer Wedding.

Springfield Register: Married, at the residence of Lotus Niles, No. 414 South Eighth street, at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, May 20, 1897, the Rev. Mr. Bradford, chaplain of the Illinois house of representatives, officiating, Dr. John L. Connelly of Harriestown, Macon county, Illinois, and Mrs. Sophia E. Kretzer of this city. The wedding was attended by only a few relatives and friends. Dr. Connelly and bride left at 9 o'clock last night on the Wabash for their future home, Harris town, where the doctor is a practicing physician. He is a widower and his bride is a widow. The groom is a brother of George S. Connelly of this city.

Wabash Change of Time.

The Wabash new time card goes into effect next Sunday, May 23. The changes that will affect Decatur are as follows: No. 16, Chicago accommodation, leaving at 7:40 a. m., will leave at 8:45 a. m., connecting at Bement for trains to Champagne and Danville. No. 11 Springfield accommodation, leaving at 10:34 a. m., will leave at 10:11 a. m., and the Effingham accommodation, No. 10, leaving at 4:40 p. m., will leave at 4:41 p. m.

Matrimonial.

Frank Hunsley, son of C. E. Hunsley, and Miss Elizabeth Brown, who were married at Monticello on Wednesday, have taken apartments in the Wingate block. Mr. H. is the teacher of the Bearsdale school.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Attorney John Fitzgerald is visiting in Bethany.

—J. M. Judd went to Peoria last night on business.

—Rev. E. B. Cake has returned to the city from Missouri.

—Miss Mary McDermott has returned from a visit to Springfield.

—Gus Nitchie and family are visiting friends at Warrensburg.

—City Attorney J. M. Lee went to Chicago last night on legal business.

—Mrs. C. E. Torrey, who has been quite ill at Springfield, is better.

—Miss Grace Hutchinson is home from Clinton where she has been visiting friends.

—Miss Lily Eldridge is home from Chicago where she has been visiting friends for several weeks past.

—Mrs. Rose Goff, who has been visiting in the city within Mrs. A. S. Gideon, has returned to her home in Circleville, Ohio.

—Captain John A. Barnes, who was here to attend the funeral of George R. Steele, has returned to his home in Chicago.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Miller have received word from the York hospital, Pennsylvania, that their son is some better.

The Old Maids' Convention.

There was a novel entertainment given at the Grand opera house last night under the auspices and for the benefit of Rescue Lodge of Good Templars. Miss Ella Spiker of Akron, Ohio, had charge of the entertainment which was an "Old Maids' Convention." The audience was not large, but it was appreciative. The young ladies personating the ancients were attired in appropriate gowns and everyone had a sachel, one a mewing cat. Some brought their lunch, and nearly all had something to do, while all talked more or less, principally more. There were solos, duets, trios and speeches followed by tableaux and a Grecian drill, including over thirty persons. Miss Spiker displayed her elocutionary gifts cleverly and besides receiving hearty scores was presented with a bunch of roses. Earl Wilson, with Miss Pease as accompanist, gave three baritone solos, in professional style, winning fresh laurels. Miss Florence Hatch, contralto, sang two selections very sweetly and was given enthusiastic approval. Henry McIntire as the tramp made a hit in wing dancing. Allerton Freeman was in his element as the auctioneer. He sold a number of mounds at fabulous prices. Bids came from all parts of the house and although they did not make any bids prizes were knocked down to E. L. Martin, W. H. Black and Brock Irwin by Freeman, causing much merriment. The Grecian drill was a pleasing feature.

Base Ball.

The South End Reds and the North street club engaged in a hot game of base ball, nine innings, on the William street grounds this forenoon, with Lillehunt as umpire. The Reds wiped up the ground with the North street mufflers, the score being 17 to 10. The batteries were: For the Reds, Morgan, Beall and Ruby; for the North streets, Vaughn, Lloyd, Haley and Wood. A three-base hit was made by Nicholson; home run, Beall. Score by innings:

Reds...	0	1	1	3	1	3	0	5	3	—17
Norths...	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	4	0	—10

For Peoria.

The Peoria, Decatur and Evansville railway will inaugurate their excursion season Sunday, May 23, by making a rate of 75 cents to Peoria and return. There will be a game of ball in the afternoon between the association clubs of Peoria and Des Moines. The parks are now at their best. Train leaves Union station at 7:30 a. m.

Insane.

Dr. H. C. Jones and L. M. Lee, appointed as a commission by Judge Hammer, have reported that A. B. Hutterford is insane and the young man will be sent to the Kankakee asylum for treatment.

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SATURDAY, MAY 22, 1897.

REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District,
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
(Election June 7.)

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
(Three to elect—Election June 7.)
W. G. COCHRAN, of Monticello.
F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. P. VAIL, of Macon.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 22.—Warmer with show-
ers, probably thunder showers late this
afternoon and tonight; Sunday, showers
in the early morning followed by fair,
cooler afternoon; brisk to high southerly
winds.

Why the Greek Fleet Did Nothing.

The Chicago Tribune: At the outset
of the Turko-Grecian war there were great
expectations of important results to be
accomplished by the Greek fleet. It was
known that, while the Turkish navy con-
tained more vessels, it was at the same
time no match for the Greek, and that
the Turkish government was afraid to
move its fleet out of the Dardanelles for
fear it would be sunk by the more power-
ful ironclads of its enemy. It was antici-
pated that the Greek navy would be of
great assistance to the land forces by co-
operating with them and bombarding im-
portant Turkish ports, cutting their com-
munications by sea and, destroying their
supplies.

The war, however, is now at an end,
and the Greek fleet has scarcely been
heard from. It has virtually accomplish-
ed nothing. It has done little more than
the Turkish fleet, idly lying at anchor in
the Dardanelles under the guns of the
forts. The apparent reason for its in-
activity has been explained in diplomatic
circles in Washington, and the fault is
ascribed to English interference. When
it became known that the Greeks had
planned naval demonstrations of an im-
portant nature they were notified by the
British minister that under no circum-
stances would their fleet be allowed to at-
tack either Salonica or Smyrna, as it
would be prejudicial to England's com-
mercial interests. It was due to English
menaces that the Greek fleet was idle at
Provea. When the fleet sailed towards
the Bay of Salonica and destroyed a Tur-
kish depot of supplies at Platamonas the
British blockading squadron at Crete was
ordered there and stopped the operations
of the Greek vessels. It was thus the
most powerful arm of the Greeks was
rendered impotent. The Greeks could
not fight the English on the water and
the Turks on the land. An army ten
times their number confronted them on
the one hand and the most powerful fleet
of the world on the other. The combina-
tion of Turkish strength and British
greed and selfishness was too much for
them.

The Augusta Chronicle says: "The
presence of General Gordon, General
Buckner and General Longstreet at Gen-
eral Grant's tomb and the action of Com-
mander-in-Chief Clarkson of the Grand
Army of the Republic in inviting General
John B. Gordon, commander-in-chief of
the Confederate veterans, to deliver an
address at the coming reunion at Buffalo
of the G. A. R. are calling forth fraternal
expressions in the newspapers about the
survivors of the blue and the gray. The
fact is that the masses of the people north
and south cherish no sectional bitterness
against one another, and neither do the
broad-minded leaders. It is only when
some two-by-four politician, who desires
undisputed notoriety, gets up a flag in-
cense, or some narrow minded sensation
that anybody ever cherishes sectional an-
timosty or thinks of the bloody shirt."

Since Martin B. Madden has seceded
from "the organization" he is doing some
mighty wholesome and logical talking.
He does this because he is now allied
with those who are more interested in the
principles and success of the Republican
party than in an office seeking combine.
Mr. Madden knew, as well as he knows
now, when he was in the ring of the ma-
chines, what was right and yet he chose to
do wrong and endanger party success.
Lorimer, Hark and company know they are
injuring the party but they are too
slushy to yield anything for its benefit,
therefore the only thing left for the party
is to purge itself of their influence.

The judiciary committee of the house
has agreed to report on the bill empow-
ering public warehouses to buy grain. This
is somewhat of a surprise as it is gener-
ally supposed the house is opposed to leg-
islation of that character. In principle it
is as obnoxious as the Humphrey bills and
altogether against the interests of the peo-
ple. The same influence is behind this
bill as was behind the Humphrey bills,
and it ought to be defeated.

The deeper history of the Cuban
affair as recorded in the state department
is probed the more infamous is the policy
of Cleveland and Olney shown to be.
There is only one thing connected with
that administration, along the line of di-
plomacy which is probably worse and
that is its Hawaiian policy and the coun-
try should be given the inside of that his-
tory.

Senator Hale professes to be greatly
alarmed lest this country may be plunged
into war with Spain. There is probably
no danger of this but if there is this
country cannot afford to bury its convic-
tions and shirk its responsibilities for any
such reason. A little war with Spain
would brighten up Uncle Sam a bit and
that is what we need.

The legislature has voted to adjourn
June 4. This is two weeks more of busi-
ness or rather eight days, as nothing is
done Mondays and Fridays. Some of the
members should be reminded that jawing
matches will have to be limited if any-
thing is to be accomplished in that time.

The judicial elections occur two weeks
from next Monday, June 7, and it is time
that every Republican was making up his
mind to go to the polls on that day and
cast his ballot for Wilkin, Vail, Wright
and Cochran.

As much as the average Democrat in
congress despised President Cleveland and
or them were willing to give more leeway
in the Cuban affair than they are willing
to give McKinley.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo
streets. J. B. Bensch, pastor. Preaching at 10
a. m. by Elder J. T. Finley. Sunday school at
9:30 a. m. W. L. Huff, supt. Y. P. S. C. at
6:30 p. m. The public are cordially invited.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
W. H. Penhagton, D. D., pastor. Sunday
School at 9:30 a. m. A. H. Mills, supt. Services
at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Rev. W. H. Pres-
by will preach both morning and evening.
Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
Strangers and others not worshipping else-
where are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:15 p. m. J. K. Love, Supt.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.
Corner of Macon street and Hawthorn avenue.
Sunday school at 1:15 p. m. P. P. Laughlin,
Supt.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.
W. F. Gilmore, D. D., pastor. Preaching at
10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Mon-
day school at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. "The
Faith of the Fathers." Evening service at 7:30
p. m. "When I am weak then am I
strong." Sunday school at 12 p. m.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo
streets. Rev. Frank C. Oberly, pastor. Sunday school
at 9:15 a. m. Dr. N. D. Myers, Supt. Morning
service at 10:30 a. m. Subject of sermon: "Three
Hearts of Love." Evening service at 7:30 p. m.
A cordial welcome extended to all to worship
with the congregation.

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Corner of East and 3rd streets. Sunday
school at 2:30 p. m.
Preaching by Mr. Geo. F. Kibel at 7:45 p. m.
Subject of sermon: "The Faith of Abraham."

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. D. F. Howe, pastor. Class meeting at 9
a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at
10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. by the pastor. Mon-
day school at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Evening
theme: "An Open Door to the Secret Service; Or
The Ministry of Angels." Endeavor service at 6:30
p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to
general public and to all not worshipping else-
where.

SABOTAGE CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Class meeting at
3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

CHRISTIAN TABERNACLE.
Church street between Eldorado and North.
Rev. Geo. F. Hall, pastor. Prof. M. S. Calvin,
Supt. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Morning sermon, "The Duty and Power of Good
Music in Christian Work." Junior C. E. at 3
p. m. Senior C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Evening ser-
mon at 7:45 p. m. "Crumbing Creeds." Or
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Special selections by the choir of 18 voices.
Riverside Mission school at 2:30 p. m.

EDWARD STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Corner West William and Edward streets.
Rev. Martin Stevenson, pastor. Sunday school
at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor.
at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. by the pastor.
At the morning hour the pastor will speak to
congregation on some personal matters.
Evening sermon, "Abraham." Y. P. S. C. E.
at 6:15 p. m.

Full attendance of the members of the church
is desired. Those not worshipping elsewhere
cordially invited. All seats free.
Leeland Avenue Sunday School at 9:15 a. m.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH.
The R. C. C. church, corner of N.
Broadway and Eldorado streets. M. R. Spayd,
pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. T. G.
Luthoff, supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7
p. m. Morning subject, "Faithful of Life."
Evening, "Fathers." Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH.
On Spring Avenue. Rev. J. T. Farnham, pas-
tor in charge. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7
p. m. Morning subject, "The Ant." Evening
subject, "The Truth." Sunday School at 9:30
a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 7:00 p. m. All are cor-
dially invited.

SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Rev. Frank N. Alkin, rector. Sunday school
at 9:30 a. m. Holy Communion at 11 a. m. Mon-
day prayer and sermon 10:30 a. m. Evening
and lecture at 7:45 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.
Lesson sermon from the Bible and "Science
and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by
Rev. Mary Baker Eddy, at 10:30 a. m.
Subject: "Admonition of the Early Church."
Friday evening testimonial meeting at 7:45. Re-
view Building, second floor front.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Corner North Water and East North streets.
Rev. D. B. MacGregor, pastor; residence, 400 N.
College street. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. The
memorial will be given to a memorial service, at
which Dunham Post No. 141, G. A. R., with their
auxiliaries, will be present in a body. The ser-
mon will be on "The War Patriotic." The
evening subject will be "Blessed Are the Merciful."
Good music has been prepared for both
services.

Intermediate Endeavor Sunday evening at
6:30. Senior C. E. Monday evening at 7:30.

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of the thousands of tourists ever think
of penetrating, is one of the most im-
portant sights that the great city
contains. It is Gobelin, an institution
famous in every corner of the art world
for its tapestries. Centuries ago it was
famous, and its fame will endure as
long as the world lasts. A picturesque
group of buildings forms the home of
this industry—old-time structures that
have passed through many blood-red
periods in the turbulent history of
Paris. Revolutions and riots have
passed all around without scaring
them. Kings, emperors, demagogues
and presidents have arisen and fallen,
but the weavers of Gobelin had little
thought of anything but the art
handed down by their forefathers.

Tapestry weaving is a heritage with
nine-tenths of the workmen in the his-
toric place. Many of them are direct
descendants of the first Flemish weav-
ers brought to Paris by Henry IV. In
the last years of the sixteenth century,
each generation teaches its sons the
art, and the admission of an outsider
as a weaver is jealously guarded
against. Indeed, it is just as difficult
for the enterprising Paris youth to push
his way into the ranks of the Gobelin
workmen as it is for the great men to
crowd into the ranks of the immortals.

These weavers are an independent
lot, and they were at the first, when
the great Henry had to almost get on
his knees to induce them to settle in
Paris. But the concessions offered by
that astute monarch have been fully
repaid, as since then Paris has been the
center of the world as far as tapestry
weaving is concerned.

As a bait to bring the Gobelins to
Paris Henry IV. offered to make them
noblemen and members of the king's
household. In addition to this it was
agreed that they were to be free from
tax and also relieved of the common
expense of having troops quartered
upon them. Moreover, the importation
of Flemish weavings, which might com-
pete with their products, was prohib-
ited, and for all time the factory was to
be under the protection of the state.

This satisfied the Gobelins, but when
the institution was at last started in
Paris a new difficulty arose which
threatened to upset all the fine plans
of the art-loving king. The Flemish
weavers and artists did not fancy the
wines of France, and declared that un-
less they could have their accustomed
pots of beer they would leave Paris.
So, to please the workmen, Flemish
breweries were established and beer
was furnished to them free of tax. The
particular Gobelin who was at the head
of the concern at this time was named
Jean or Jehan. He was not a weaver,
but a dyer. In fact, none of the Gobelin
ever sat at a loom. They were
dyers by trade from time immemorial,
and this Jehan Gobelin was the greatest
dyer of them all. It was he who pre-
pared the wonderful blues and reds
which have made the Gobelin tapestries
famous.

Modern dyes have never reached the
degree of perfection which he attained,
particularly in red or scarlet colors.
And about this scarlet dye hangs a
tale of tragedy and superstition. This
Jehan was so proud of his scarlet dye
that he one day exclaimed that not even
the devil himself could surpass him at
dyeing scarlet. Soon after this he went
to one of the wells in the factory and
never returned. Very probably he fell
into the well and was drowned, but the
superstitious folk declared that the
devil had carried him off to make his
famous scarlet dye in the infernal re-
gions. At any rate, that was the earth-
ly end of the great Jehan Gobelin, but
the institution he founded promises to
live for all time.

The few apprentices who succeeded in
gaining admission to the factory now-
adays know that it will be many years
before they are recognized as weavers
of the first class. The newcomer is ap-
prenticed for two years, but it requires
seven or eight years to fully master
the many intricacies of the art. An art
school is attached to the factory, where
the pupils study from antiques and
from life models. Flower painting is
one of the specialties taught, and as a
result of this schooling every weaver
in the place is something of an artist.
Many of them have made reputations
as artists and have given up their places
in the factory to follow the more re-
munerative calling.

Many of the weavers, after working
for five or six years, receive only \$250
a year. The artist weavers receive \$600
a year and the foreman weavers re-
ceive from \$800 to \$1,000 a year. These
latter have the actual charge of the
work being done, a position of much re-
sponsibility, as a small error might se-
riously mar the work of years.—Chi-
cago Chronicle.

Wells as Barometers.
Facts were presented at a recent
meeting of the Science club of the Uni-
versity of Wisconsin which tend to
show that the surface of the ground
water in a well is much more responsive
to atmospheric changes than is the bar-
ometer; and in stormy weather, accord-
ing to F. H. King, "the movements of
the water surface are so complex and so
short in period that a rapidly moving
chronograph is required to separate
them." So, too, the rate of discharge
of water from springs changes very
greatly with variations in the pressure
of the atmosphere. These facts sug-
gest the scientific reasons for the use,
which has sometimes been made in
popular weather lore, of springs and
wells in predicting storms.—Youth's
Companion.

The New Realism in Art.
Layman—Realism, eh? Now, you
don't mean to tell me the sun really
sets like that?

Artist—Ha, ha! My dear fellow, you
don't grasp the significance of the new
art at all. That, sir, is the way the sun
ought to set.—Detroit Journal.

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Complete Change of Program Second Night.

Among the selections will be "The Dream," by Sir Michael Costa, (grand chorus); "The Anvil Chorus," by Verdi, with anvil accompaniment; "The Miller's Wedding," by Fauré; "A Trip to Europe," by Macy (oper-
etta, to be acted and sung by 55 youths in costume); "Deep Rolling Clouds," by Rossini; Glee by Butter-
field, Bizet, Etc., Etc.

In ordinary times seats to these grand entertainments would sell at \$1.00, but the committee has placed
the price at 25 cents, and at this figure confidently expect packed houses.

Tickets and Reserved Seats at Otto E. Curtis & Bros.' Jewelry Store.

Plat Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, all day. Eighty-six ladies also selling tickets.

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Our school trouble has been adjusted.
Miss Day was reinstated amicably. Mr.
Lockhart resigned on account of a better
offer elsewhere, but on petition of pupils
and patrons, consented to accept his old
position. He has been our principal for
several years and we could not entertain
the thought of having him go elsewhere.

J. M. Hawk's barn caught fire from
sparks of the local freight train engine on
Thursday, but was discovered and extin-
guished by the trainmen. The alarm was
quickly given and the brave firemen were
half way to the fire in an incredibly short
time. They were notified not to come on
but they deserve thanks for so promptly
responding.

Jerry Gepford is visiting his daughter,
Mrs. Effie Pritchett.

Allen Winchester of Kansas, is visiting
relatives here.

Miss Bertha Chamberlain has been visit-
ing in Decatur and returned Friday.

The fire company will give an ice cream
and strawberry supper on Saturday, May
29, and the Daughters of Rebekah will
give on June 5.

Miss Mary Adams, who has been visit-
ing her sister, Mrs. N. Boone, left this
morning for her home in the west.

Decoration day will be observed by pu-
pils in Mr. Lockhart's department. There
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Paste Guards	.25	.10
Toe Clips	.25	.13
Bicycle Enamel	.25	.13
Lantern Oil (one-fourth pint cans)	.25	.04
Lubricating Oil (10c size)	.25	.03
Tire Tape (10c size)	.03	.03
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Best Work Shirts in the City for 50c.
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TO RECEIVE A PEERAGE.

Mr. Burdett-Coutts Will Be Hon-
ored by the Queen.

His Octogenarian Wife Made Him a
Rich Man—The First American-
Born Citizen Who Will Enter
the House of Lords.

It is not for any great services to the state that the youthful American-born husband of the octogenarian Baroness Burdett-Coutts is about to receive a peerage on the occasion of the queen's jubilee, but in consequence of the enormous political influence which he can wield through his multi-millionaire wife, who is the ground landlord of the greater portion of the densely populated Westminster district of London. Moreover, the baroness owns an immense amount of landed property throughout the united kingdom and in Great Britain the landfords have means unknown in the United States of compelling their tenants to vote according to their wishes.

It will doubtless astonish many persons to learn that young Mr. Burdett-Coutts, who was born in Brooklyn, of New England parents, and who, extensively related at Philadelphia, received his elementary education in America, was offered a peerage by Lord Salisbury a year ago and declined it.

The reasons for his refusal, says the Chicago Record, were of a character to place the conservative party under an obligation to him, for the late Sir Walter de Souza, who has just died, was his political rival in the parliamentary representation of Westminster, and was sufficiently popular in the district to render it certain that if Mr. Burdett-Coutts resigned his seat in order to enter the house of lords it would inevitably have been carried by Sir Walter on a liberal platform in preference to any tory candidate.

Moreover, Sir Walter, in fighting Mr. Burdett-Coutts at the last three parliamentary elections, displayed so much personal animosity toward him, and so much ungenerous use of the peculiar circumstances of his rival's marriage that the young American made up his mind that never as long as he could help



LADY BURDETT-COUTTS
(The Octogenarian Wife of an American Gentleman)

it would be enable Sir Walter to realize the dream of his life and the climax of his ambition to represent Westminster in parliament.

Sir Walter has just died, and as there is no other radical candidate in view with anything like the same local prestige and popularity as the late politician Mr. Burdett-Coutts can afford to vacate his seat without any danger of its being lost to the tory party.

Mr. Coutts, who is now very wealthy in his own right—his wife having settled upon him an annuity of \$250,000 on the wedding day—has devoted large sums of money toward the campaign funds of the conservative party, besides which it is generally understood that every Englishman of respectable conduct and parentage, who is able to show that he has a minimum income of \$100,000 a year derived from land has a right to a seat in the house of lords. That was an axiom of England's great prime minister, Pitt, and it has been followed more or less ever since his time.

Whatever objections may have been raised against Mr. Burdett-Coutts in connection with his marriage, which, it cannot be denied, excited an immense amount of ill-will against him among all classes, especially in society, clubland closing its doors against him—yet he has behaved since then with so much discretion, tact and respectability that he has to a great extent lived down the animus against him. The prince of Wales has set the example by inviting him to Sandringham, and he is now in every sense of the word accepted by the London great world.

Moreover he has signally strengthened his position by his devotion to horse-breeding, in which he has achieved extraordinary success, rendering real services to that particular branch of English sport. English folk will forgive anything to a man who does that, even marriage to a woman old enough to be his grandmother.

Mr. Coutts will be the first person born an American citizen to enter the house of lords. There have been several Americans naturalized as Englishmen who have received baronetcies and knighthoods, but no one yet has had a peerage conferred upon him. I need scarcely remind my readers that Mr. Coutts, who is an English university graduate, like his brother, Sir Ashmead Bartlett, is a frequent visitor to the United States, and on several occasions has acted as judge of hackneys at the horse shows held in New York.

California Wine Storage.
At a recent meeting of the California Wine-Growers' association the feasibility of establishing an immense wine storage place in San Francisco, with the idea of mutual benefit to the producer and buyer, was discussed. It is proposed to rent a warehouse with a capacity of from 1,000,000 to 2,000,000 gallons, and store the wine therein as fast as it is cured.



THE HISTORY OF BUTTONS.

Catches, Once Set in Diamonds, Now Reduced to Rags and Bones.

Recently at the Hotel Drouot there was a sale of a curious and interesting collection of ancient buttons, the property of Baron Perignon, of Paris. This collection, which was exhibited in 1859 at the exposition of decorative arts, might rival any one of those belonging to the most enthusiastic buttonist in the world. Clapison, the musician, collected 7,750 different specimens. In 1849 a collector in Ghent exhibited more than 30,000, and M. Maignien, the librarian of the Grenoble library, gained a certain reputation in his branch of curiosities through his collection of buttons of liveries and of uniforms.

The buttons of the eighteenth century bring high prices in the market at the present time. There are some of them that Fragonard, we are told, decorated with his marvelous pencil. In his time it was fashionable to make presents of buttons as big as a crown piece, or which allegories and various subjects were carved.

Bachaumont writes in his "Secret Memoirs," November 18, 1768: "The mania for buttons to-day is extremely ridiculous. They are not only of enormous size, some of them as big as six-pound crowns, but miniatures and pictures are made upon them, and this ornamentation is extremely costly. Some of them represent the medals of the 12 Caesars, others antique statues, and still others the Metamorphoses of Ovid."

Isabey, in his biographical notes, says that when he came to Paris he worked for a living by making copies of Vanloos and Bouchers on the lids of snuff boxes, and that for these medallions he was paid from six to eight francs each. "As it was still the fashion," he said, "to wear buttons as big as a five-franc piece, upon which cupids, flowers and landscapes were cut in cameo. I went into that business. I got 12 sols for each."

Two years after this period in the life of Bachaumont buttons abandoned emulation to take up eliship. All the fine monuments of Paris were carved on them. Then came the patriotic buttons, representing the taking of the Bastille, the emblem of the three orders, the Phrygian cap, the portraits of Louis XVI, of Mirabeau.

Shortly afterward these ornaments were laid aside. The reign of the artistic button was over, and the mother of pearl button became general.

The oldest buttons at present in the museums and among the collections are the gold buttons discovered at Mycenae, at the time of the excavations undertaken by Dr. Schliemann, and also those found in the tomb of Childerich I. The latter were exhibited at the Louvre in the Musée des Souverains. They are made of gold and of colored glass, imitating garnet. Buttons detached from copes and religious garments of the middle ages and of the Renaissance have also been discovered.—Paris Figaro.

IN THE RUINS OF POMPEII.

Evidences of the Commonness of Slavery Found on All Sides.

Evidences of the commonness of slavery in the time of Pompeii's destruction are abundant on all sides. The gladiators were a class of slaves trained for fighting and some of the wall scribbles refer to their condition as one of slavery. Here is the translation of an advertisement painted on a wall near the amphitheater:

"Twenty pairs of gladiators, paid by Decimus Lucretius Sallius Valens, prince in the time of Nero, the son of Caesar Augustus, and ten pairs of gladiators, paid by Decimus Lucretius, the son of Decimus Valens, will fight at Pompeii on the 11th, 13th and 14th of April."

"There will be a proper hunting scene and the awnings will be spread. Written by Clev-Emilius Clev, writer of mscriptions; wrote this by moonlight."

The gladiators' barracks were ample for the housing of 2,000 or 3,000 men and it is a matter of record that at least 2,000 were engaged at one time in the life or death combats which stretched over a long festival. The actors in these murderous sports were "barbarians" from various parts of Europe or from Asia Minor and Africa.

In the Naples museum is a bronze collar, which was worn about the neck of a man whose skeleton was found in a Pompeian house cellar; on the collar is engraved, in Latin, these words: "I am a slave. Arrest me because I am running away." I could not help thinking while looking at this ingenious and cruel substitute for a convict's dress that it was possible that the poor wretch who wore it may have been one of the descendants of the blond-haired Britons brought home by Julius Caesar to grace his triumph 100 years before Pompeii disappeared beneath its pall of ashes and lava.

In the Ghezze museum, Cairo, one may look upon the black and shriveled face of that Rameses whom we know as the Pharaoh of the oppression. Mummies of other Egyptian kings, priests and people are common enough. These primeval men, who far antedated Pompeii and Rome, stand undecayed in our presence. But Pompeii presents the picture of an entire city resurrected from the dead, with all its appliances of life and means of pleasure, profit, comfort, luxury, vice and sustenance. The life is gone out forever, but the mummified city remains—a monument of human ingenuity and human frailty.—N. Y. Times.

At JOHNSTONS'.

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The List for This Week.

UMBRELLAS—A nice twilled English Gloria Sun Umbrella at 50c.

A fine silk twilled Umbrella at 98c.

An extra fine twilled Silk Umbrella (\$2.50 kind) at \$1.48.

SKIRTS—An extra well made figured Mohair Skirt at \$1.98.

Crash Linen Skirts for hot weather use at \$1.98.

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A good percale or lawn Waist, all the late colors with separate collars, at 98c.

Hosiery—Special Values this week. 100 dozen Ladies' Seamless Hoes, the 12 1/2c kind, at 8c per pair.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR—Ladies' good muslin Gowns, embroidery trimmed, at 50c.

An elegant line of liner gowns, the \$1.25 and \$1.50 kind, at 98c.

Ladies' Cambric ruffled Drawers, the Umbrella style, at 25c.

Ladies' White Skirts, embroidery trimmed, at 50c.

SHOES—A nice Oxford Low Shoe in blacks, tans and oxbloods, on sale at 98c a pair.

Ladies' Button Shoes at \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

CURTAINS—Special low prices on Lace Curtains this week at 98c, \$1.50 and \$1.98 per pair.

Good 7-foot Cloth Window Shades at 25c.

WRAPPERS—See the best Calico Wrappers at 98c each.

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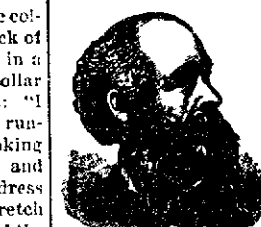
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Blood and Skin Diseases, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Boils, Fever Sores, Pimples, Ulcers, Taint in the Blood and Bones, Enlargement of the Neck, Rheumatism, Catarrh, etc., permanently cured when others have failed.

Consumption The idea that Consumption is incurable is fast becoming obsolete. This dread and lucrative disease is curable in the same stages as other diseases are. I have treated a large number of well marked cases of this malady during the past fifteen years and I have succeeded in curing the greater portion of them. I would urge all who have symptoms of the first stages of this disease to fail at once and have appropriate treatment before the malady becomes confirmed.

Bright's Disease Will cure every case before fatty degeneration of the kidneys has taken place.

Heart Disease Diseases of the heart have become alarmingly frequent. There are few diseases of the human system more calculated to fill the mind with serious apprehensions than wrong actions of the heart. The importance of seeking from the period phenomena which present themselves the true cause of the impairment and cure should be our first concern. This affliction, either functional or structural, is almost invariably cured by my treatment.

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Alonzo Faulkner, Well-Known in Madison County Says His Endorsement Cannot be Made too Strong—The Best Medicine He Ever Took. Mrs. Hartler Tells of Her Illness and Recovery.

From the Press, Utica, N. Y.

There is probably no man better known in Madison County than Mr. Alonzo Faulkner of North Brookfield, N. Y., on account of the prominence and wealth of his family and his own success as a hop grower. Mr. Faulkner is well on the road to old age, having passed the allotted three score and ten, three years ago. About the time he celebrated his seventieth birthday he was taken very ill with rheumatism in a severe form, anemias and erysipelas, and it was generally supposed from his advanced age that this combination of diseases would be fatal. For nearly a year he was confined to his house, and his friends never expected to see him alive to leave it again, but to the surprise of his many acquaintances Mr. Faulkner again made his appearance, in good health and able to walk about in a way that he had not done for years. His great age and enormous size made this recovery so remarkable that Mr. Faulkner was interviewed on the subject of his cure by one of our representatives.

He was found at home by the reporter, and came out under the veranda, in very good style for a man of three hundred pounds avoirdupois, whose height is only five feet six inches. When the interviewing process began, Mr. Faulkner seemed not only willing but desirous that everything connected with his illness and recovery should be made known and published.

"I am now seventy-three years old," he said, "and for the past ten years have never had what might be called good health, but I was never confined to the house for more than a day or two, until three years ago, when I was taken down with inflammatory rheumatism, imperfect circulation of the blood, and more or less congestion of the brain. My joints were swollen and painful, and indeed my whole body seemed affected, for I could not walk, and had to be assisted from my bed to a chair and from the chair to the bed, and this was the extent of my exercise for nearly one year. To make things worse, I had a severe attack of erysipelas, attended by delirium, total loss of appetite, sleeplessness and fearful headache, and I was about as ill as I could be. It was while in this condition that I heard through the newspapers of the potency in all diseases of the blood of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and lost no time in giving them a trial.

"The first effects of the treatment were, that my liver and kidneys, which were badly affected, began to recover their normal condition, the erysipelas abated, and much of the pain in my back and side disappeared. I continued to take Pink Pills faithfully observing the directions, and gradually the pains became less frequent in my limbs, the circulation improved, all that distressing pressure of the brain went, and I could move about a little without the agony that had attended any attempt at locomotion. I took Pink Pills for a year constantly, and at the end of that time I had so far recovered my health that I was really better than I had been in many years before. I did not give up the use of the Pink Pills, however, but continued to take them at intervals, and do so still at the first symptom of my old enemy, rheumatism, returning. I do not suffer at all with anemic symptoms, but once in a while during the past two years I have had a touch of the rheumatism. When this happens I have taken a dose or two of Pink Pills, and the disease again disappears. I do not think I can tell you any more," Mr. Faulkner said, "but any questions you may wish to ask I will answer."

"I will read you over what I have written," Mr. Faulkner, the reporter suggested, "and if you have any corrections or suggestions to make I will at once insert or erase as the case may be."

The report of the interview was then read to Mr. Faulkner, who said:

"I think that covers it in a general way, but you might have made it a little stronger. You can add that Mr. Alonzo Faulkner is a thorough believer in Pink Pills, and that he thinks if anyone wants to know what I think of Pink Pills let them come to Alonzo Faulkner, North Brookfield, New York, and I will tell them."

Mrs. Harriet H. Hartler, of Hubbardville, New York, who is well known in the southern portion of Madison county, as a lady of excellent reputation, and owns and resides on her own farm, about half a mile from the village and near the Hubbardville Railroad Station, sends us the following remarkable account of her recovery from spinal trouble and chronic rheumatism, with a complication of diseases resulting therefrom:

"I am only too glad to pay tribute to the curative powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which have indeed worked a wonderful cure for me. After I had been under physicians' care for ten years with no appreciable improvement. "About the year 1886, during my husband's last illness, while he was helpless, I strained my back, and from that time I have been confined to my bed for four months, and when I was able to get up, I found that I could not walk straight, my head was dizzy and I could not put my hands to my head. I had been a sufferer from indigestion and dyspepsia for some years before I sustained this injury, and my blood was in a bad state, so that altogether I was in a very wretched and helpless condition, and began to suffer with rheumatism. About one year ago Mr. Pink Pills, of South Hamilton, whom I knew, told me of the cures that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had wrought in his case, and advised me to try them. I had seen Mr. Hyde's name in the papers before this in connection with the remedy, but did not think of trying the effect of Pink Pills on myself until he recommended them to me so strongly. Then I commenced to take them, and after I had used a little over one box, I experienced great relief. My rheumatism left me, and the symptoms of locomotor ataxia and incipient paralysis with which I was threatened began to disappear. I first felt the improvement in my hands and arms, which I could move to my head, and now can use as well as ever. I could in my life all dizziness left me, and I can now walk with perfect control of my limbs. Of course my back is not so strong as it once was, but I can do any household work without inconvenience, and have no trouble whatever in going where I please. I am now sixty-three years of age, and am in better health than I have been for years. My dyspepsia has left me and my kidneys, which were in a bad condition, no longer trouble me. I always keep Pink Pills by me, and take them whenever I feel the slightest symptoms of relapse, and they never fail to give me relief. They are indeed a wonderful medicine."

(Signed) HARRIET H. HARTLER. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuritis, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effect of la grippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness either in male or female. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. W. J. Hanks' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

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CROPS IN THE SOUTH.

"More Corn and Less Cotton" the Rule of Farmers in Dixie.

By some the increase in corn culture in the southern states since 1890 is ascribed to a competition begun eight years ago in one of the agricultural papers, which offered a cash prize to the American farmer who raised the largest crop to the acre of any cereal. The prize for wheat went to Utah, for oats to New York, for barley to Ohio, and for corn, strange to relate, to South Carolina. One farmer in Marlborough county, in that state, established his claim to have raised a crop from one acre of 230 bushels, and the awarding of the prize was a revelation to many southern farmers who had uniformly regarded cotton as the staple agricultural product of the south, and had seen neither reason nor profit in the cultivation of corn. Since then, whatever the reason of the development of the corn crop in the south may have been, it is a fact that it has been enormously increased, and the western states no longer hold their relative prominence as corn growers.

By the official census of 1890 there were produced in the United States in that year 1,750,000,000 bushels of corn, and by the figures of the department of agriculture in 1895, 15 years later, the corn crop of the United States was 2,150,000,000 bushels. The increase, however, was not uniform; it was greatest in the southern states. Alabama increased from 25,000,000 to 45,000,000 bushels. Arkansas increased from 24,000,000 to 50,000,000 bushels, more than double. Louisiana increased from 10,000,000 to 22,000,000 bushels. Georgia from 23,000,000 to 42,000,000. Florida from 5,000,000 to 8,000,000, and Texas, most remarkable of all, from 29,000,000 to 107,000,000. Mississippi increased from 21,000,000 to 35,000,000 bushels, and South Carolina from 11,000,000 to 20,000,000. While the southern states have been increasing their corn product, the former corn states have either made no gain or have been falling off. From 1890 to 1895, Iowa increased only from 275,000,000 to 298,000,000 bushels, Indiana from 115,000,000 to 121,000,000, and Michigan from 32,000,000 to 33,000,000 bushels. Wisconsin fell off from 34,000,000 to 33,000,000 bushels. Ohio from 111,000,000 to 92,000,000, and Illinois, once the chief corn-producing state in the corn belt, from 325,000,000 to 255,000,000 bushels. In the same period New York declined from 25,000,000 to 16,000,000 bushels. The corn product of Pennsylvania fell off from 45,000,000 to 43,000,000 bushels, and in other states of the east or middle west the proportionate decline was practically the same. The south is the region in which there has been a material increase in corn product.—N. Y. Sun.

MONEY LEFT.

For the Princess of Wales in Case She Separated from Albert.

It now turns out that the money belonging to the late emperor of Russia lying in the Bank of England, and upon which no duty was paid at the time of his death, was destined by him for his sister-in-law, the princess of Wales, to whom he was particularly devoted.

In abstaining from giving any official information to parliament as to the destination of the late emperor's funds in the Bank of England, the government acted in accordance with the expressed wishes and demands of the princess of Wales. This bequest to the princess by Alexander III. is a very sore spot with the general heir-apparent to the English throne, for at the time that the late emperor lodged the money in the bank the princess was on very bad terms with her husband, and was determined upon separation. The matter was openly discussed, not only in the London clubs and drawing-rooms, but even in the newspapers, and it is solely and entirely the queen's intervention, and, above all, the sympathy which she accorded to her daughter-in-law that averted a public rupture and separation.

Now, if the princess had left the prince she would have found herself in very serious financial straits, for her own personal annuity from the English government of \$50,000 a year would not have been sufficient to keep her in anything like the style to which she has been accustomed, while the prince himself is so impecunious, so head over ears in debt and so unable to make both ends meet on his existing allowance that it is difficult to see how he possibly could have furnished her with sufficient money to set up and maintain a separate establishment, even if he had been willing.

Alexander made no secret of the fact that he considered the princess to be very badly treated by her husband, that the latter had shamefully neglected his wife and that he was infinitely more fondle and dissipated a man to be entrusted with the welfare and domestic happiness of so sweet and lovable a woman as the princess. It was on account of these sentiments, and in view of the chance of a separation, that he deposited 1,000,000 rubles in the Bank of England, where they remain to this day, for they are to be paid to the princess only in case she separates from her husband.—Chicago Record.

No Longer Friends.

"It requires patience to learn to play the flute," said the young man with musical aspirations. "Well, I should think it did," roared the man who occupied the next flat, and there was something in his tone that made it apparent that his words had no reference to the patience of the man who did the playing. That's why a coolness has sprung up between them.—Chicago Post.

Metropolitan Enterprise.

Hiram Oatlin—Them people in the big cities is gittin' so all-fired enterprising that they're bound to have clever skiers about 'em every day.

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As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS: In the Circuit Court of Macou County, ss. Enjah S. McCarty et al., Complainants, vs. William Taylor et al., Defendants.—In Chancery, No. 15286.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macou County in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, June 15, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the courthouse on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows: To-wit: Lot nine (9) and the west half of lot eight (8) in block six (6) in R. J. Gilling's addition to the City of Decatur. Lots twelve (12) and thirteen (13) in block twenty-three (23) in Carter's addition to the City of Decatur; the south fifty (50) feet of lot ten (10) in Baugamon addition to the City of Decatur, except the west sixty-five (65) feet thereof occupied by St. Vincent's Chapel, all in Macou county, Illinois. Also, lots one (1), four (4) and five (5) in block four (4) in Scherer's addition to the City of Decatur in the county of Montgomery, Illinois. Dated Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of May, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

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PITH AND POINT.

—Spikes—"Do you have any trouble meeting your creditors?" Spikes—"Not at all. I find my trouble in dodging them."—Detroit Free Press.

—Very Far Gone—"Dobbs is a bicycle enthusiast, isn't he?" "I should say so. That man would rather talk about his ride."—Chicago Record.

—Miss Straightface circumspect?—asked Miss Pert. "Circumspect?" cried Miss Caustic. "Why, she won't accompany a young man on the piano without a chaperon."—Tit-Bits.

—Faddy—"So Widow Gray was at the social last evening. It beats all. What is she after, a husband?" Daddy—"On the contrary, I think she is after a man who is not a husband."—Boston Transcript.

—Squidly—"I thought that baseball was not played in England." McSwilligen—"It isn't." Squidly—"Then what is this diamond jubilee they are making such extensive preparations for in London?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

—People are unusually anxious for the home team to win to-day." "Yes," replied Mr. Meekton, thoughtfully, "and you can't blame them. It's bad enough for all these men to be late for dinner without bringing bad news home with them."—Washington Star.

—What would our wives say, if they knew where we are?" said the captain of a Liverpool clipper, feeling his way along the banks of Newfoundland in a duck fog. "I wouldn't mind what they said," rejoined the mate, "if we only knew where we are ourselves."—Household Words.

HE HAILED PRINCE GEORGE.
An American in a Predicament in Greek Waters Got Royal Help.

When Prince George of Greece was in the United States to attend the world's fair his presence was hardly noticed, and he was not compelled to run the gauntlet of Chicago interviewers. So it came that perhaps the prince's first experience with the American method of acquiring knowledge for dissemination was afforded by an American artist who attended the Olympic games to illustrate an article for a New York magazine.

On the day of the swimming contests the artist was unable to find the boat which he together with a party of friends, had chartered for the occasion. The races took place on the harbor, about three miles from the city, and the artist, armed with camera and sketching tools, wandered about on the crowded shores until he bargained successfully with two men for a boat. After paddling about for a time without seeing much chance of viewing the races, he made up his mind to board one of the large vessels with which the water was crowded. He chose for his piratical designs one of the largest and best-appearing of all the gayly-decked craft, and made his wishes known to his boatmen. Although he did not understand a word of Greek, there was no misunderstanding the fact that they forcibly demonstrated, and the more emphatic the more emphatic became their expostulations. He finally overruled their objections, and induced them to row within calling distance of the big vessel. The artist hailed a man on deck in French, telling him who he was and what he wanted. The stranger answered in very good English, and, after inviting the artist aboard, he brought a chair and arranged a place from which a good view of the start and finish could be had. Then he excused himself.

The American was very busy for a while, but he gradually occurred to him that the boat he was on was really a great deal of attention. After he began to move every other vessel sailed. When the races were finished and his boat returned to the deck the artist learned that he had been received by Prince George of Greece. He suffered the consternation at the beginning, but the prince did not appear to mind it and chatted cordially, while he showed his guest about the vessel, and passing before the camera. The artist was left ashore at his own request, and the trip about the bay, in the course of which the missing boat was recovered, and he had the pleasure of showing to his friends from the deck of a royal yacht.

One of the fetes following the world's fair, which there were many Americans and, by the way, it was distinctly Greek while being an American during the week of the games—one of the young Americans regarded the prince with some boyish awe, and gravely said to him, "tactfully, that he need not date thus, because you are an American."—N. Y. Sun.

Climbing High Altitudes.
Persons who have climbed great heights are aware that respiration becomes more or less difficult, the heart beats a very irregularly or with great rapidity, and nausea, exhaustion and other unpleasant sensations are experienced. Just what is the highest limit to which man can ascend and live has frequently been questioned. A mountaineer reached 15,000 feet above sea level without great trouble. The idea of a man climbing to such a height without a mechanical pump or a chamber and rigging it with all the necessary appliances, he shut himself in, then the air was rarefied to a degree which would probably be found at the height of 24,000 feet above sea level. Then he became so distressed that the experiment had to stop. As Mr. Everett is a mile higher than this simulated altitude, he may naturally conclude that unless there are means provided for assisting respiration, feet will never tread the height on this globe.—N. Y. Ledger.

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Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Weigand. Moh 25 ct.

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A. B. Rutherford was taken to the hospital this afternoon to be treated for insanity.

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Hear the free concert by Goodman's band at Riverside park Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:30.

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Be sure to attend the concert at the Baptist church Tuesday, May 25; 10 and 15 cents.—23d St

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Hear Mrs. Albro Blodgett at the Presbyterian church next Wednesday evening, May 26, at 8:30 o'clock.

Hear Mrs. Arthur B. Alexander play at the Presbyterian church next Wednesday evening, May 26, at 8:30 o'clock.

Hear Mr. Francis Fletcher Powers at the Presbyterian church next Wednesday evening, May 26, at 8:30 o'clock.

Fine music, fine refreshments and an evening's pleasure for 10 and 15 cents at the Baptist church Tuesday, May 25. Come.—23 d3t

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk No. 233 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wt

The Baptist Sunday school orchestra Tuesday evening will be one of the finest amateur entertainments ever given in Decatur. Don't miss it. 10, and 15 cents.—23d-2t

All members of the Sons of Veterans at requested by Captain Wood to report promptly at G. A. R. hall at 9:30 a. m., Sunday, May 23, to attend services in a body at the Baptist church. All young men, sons of old soldiers, but not members of the camp, are cordially invited to join the organization in the march to the church.

Hear the free concert by Goodman's band at Riverside park Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:30.

The First Baptist Sunday school will have their annual picnic at Macon Tuesday, June 15th and on that date will run an excursion, the fare for the round trip being fifty cents. The members invite all their friends to take advantage of the cheap rate and go along with them. Tickets are on sale at the stores of J. E. Saxton and E. S. Bohon.—12-d4t

Only one dollar for the round trip to Springfield via the Wabash railroad on Sunday May 26th. It is under the auspices of the German Catholic Aid Society. Special train leaves Decatur at 8:15 a. m., returning leaves Springfield at 7:30 p. m. Tickets for sale at the Shufeldt Hotel, Henry Bros. bakery or by the committee, A. Spaeth, L. Schuerman and Frank Koekelen. Also at the depot Sunday morning.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Jamestown, Va., founded 1607; first permanent English settlement in America.

CASES IN CIRCUIT COURT.

Bills Filed with Clerk Foster by the Latest Litigants.

In the circuit clerk's office to the June term of the Macon county circuit court have been filed a number of suits of local interest. Among the bills are the following:

C. F. Bates, through his attorneys, Outten & Roby, asks that the City Electric Street Railway company pay him \$5,000 for alleged damages. Mr. Bates asserts that he was injured seriously while on a street car on East Eldorado street last January. He was injured by a "rear end collision." Mr. B. is 35 years of age and resides at Orona.

Jacob J. Leach of Macon, is asked to pay over to J. H. Clark, receiver for the Masonic Benevolent association the sum of \$187. Attorney O. W. Smith represents the plaintiff. It appears that Leach refuses to pay his assessments and the plaintiff claims that the defendant is liable to the company and hopes to get judgment against him. Similar suits are to be brought in other sections of Illinois and other states.

For Ada P. Bartholomew, Emma P. Warren and Sarah A. Durfee, Messrs. Outten & Roby yesterday filed a bill asking for an accounting, and naming Orlando Powers, trustee, as defendant. The trouble arises over the construction of a will. It is in the estate of William L. Powers, long since dead. This estate was settled in probate court of Macon county a number of years ago. In his will W. L. Powers decreed that certain bank stock to the value of \$10,000 should be a fund set aside and held by trustees for the benefit of the late Lemira Wilkinson and her daughter, Bella. They were to have the income from that fund and in case they died without surviving issue, the fund was to be divided among the heirs of the testator. The daughter Bella died before her mother who left no surviving issue and on the death of Mrs. Wilkinson the fund was divided, as the trustees believed, according to the provisions of the will, but the plaintiffs in question now say that the provisions of the will were not observed and want the trustee to account.

Among other investments was one loan on some farm land and in the settlement of the loan the land or a part of it was taken by the trustees. The plaintiffs now contend that, with the will properly interpreted, as the heirs of George Powers, a brother of the testator, they will be entitled to the share of George Powers in that fund for Mrs. Wilkinson and her daughter Bella died without surviving issue. The plaintiffs say that unless all of the income from that fund was expended during the lifetime of Mrs. Wilkinson, they would be entitled to a division of the original fund and its earnings. They believe that the share due them would be between \$7,000 and \$10,000. The trouble is said to arise from a misconstruction of the will which provided that in case of Mrs. Wilkinson and her daughter dying without surviving issue, then the fund should be divided among the heirs of the testator and instead of that it was divided among the residuary legatees of whom George Powers father of the plaintiffs, was not one, having died before the death of the testator occurred. The plaintiffs say that they merely want the matter passed on by the court and are willing to abide by the decision.

A LOST BOY.
Mrs. Burnstein's Four-Year-Old Son is Missing.

This forenoon the police received hurried notification of the fact that the little adopted son of Mrs. Burnstein, residing on North Water street, had mysteriously disappeared, one party asserting that he believed that he had been picked up by gypsies and carried off. The officers started out to look for the boy and to search all gypsy camps and wagons. No tidings of the boy had been received at a late hour.

Clay Depew Dangerously Ill.
H. Clay Depew, the well known traveling salesman for the Race Clothing Manufacturing company, whose illness has been noted in these columns, is in a critical condition at his home on North Edward street. He is afflicted with Bright's disease. Some months ago Mr. Depew accidentally fractured one of his legs, and he was confined to his home a long time. He was reported to be in a dying state this forenoon, but was still alive this afternoon.

Dinner Party To-Night.
There will be a jolly dinner party given this evening at the home of F. M. Pratt on Prairie avenue, given in honor of R. E. Pratt of Chicago, who lately returned from Europe where he did business in the interest of the farmers and grain buyers of central Illinois. Mr. Pratt arrived this afternoon from Chicago. John Crocker and Thomas Costello of Macon, and other gentlemen will be at the spread.

At the Baptist Church.
The Grand Army Post and auxiliary organizations will attend services at the Baptist church Sunday forenoon when the pastor, Dr. MacGregor, will deliver a sermon on "Civil War Patriotism." The decorations and the music will be appropriate for the day and occasion.

Special Prices on Quinine.
2 Grain Quinine Pills, 25c per 100.
Powers & Weightman's Quinine, 50c per ounce.
Empty Capsules—best—17c per 100.

West's Drug Store.

Will Give an Excursion.

The Sunday school of the First Baptist church is making arrangements for an excursion which will be given to Macon on June 16. A round trip rate of 50 cents has been secured.

Gave a Picnic.
Today the members of the fourth and fifth grades of the Church street school gave a picnic. The scholars and their teachers drove four miles north of the city and there had their dinners.

To Arrange for the Concert.
Frank Bunn went to Bloomington today to make arrangements for the concert which will be given by the choral society on the evening of May 29. The Illinois Central will give a special rate of \$1 for the round trip.

Extra Tax.
The city council finance committee last night discussed the proposition made to tax bicycles \$1, bugles \$1 and two seated rigs, \$1 50 a year, to provide a fund to keep the streets clean and in good state of repair. The proposition may come up for action at the council meeting next Monday night.

Y. M. C. A. Meetings.
At the Y. M. C. A. rooms tomorrow at 8:45 a. m. the bible training class will meet. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock a long service will be held for men only. On Tuesday and Friday noons during the week meetings will be held by members of the association at the Wabash shops for the railroad men.

A Big Drawing Card.
There will be 150 children in the May Festival at the tabernacle next Thursday and Friday evenings. This will be a big drawing card. Prof. Calvin, the director, is an expert in the training of children and it is safe to predict a pleasant surprise for the audience. The children will not only sing, but act their parts in costume.

The Trumpet Medium.
Eda, Republican: Last night, May 21, about forty of our citizens were given a treat at my house, 533 North Mercer street by H. F. Coates of Mattoon, Ill., a trumpet medium. The meeting was conducted under strict test conditions and all present pronounced it a success as each test was recognized. Aside from the trumpet other phases were given any one wishing to investigate can do so as meetings will be conducted at the above number both tonight and Sunday night.

To Attend the Contest.
This morning about sixty high school students, teachers and others left for Champaign where they will attend the state high school athletic contest which will be held in that city today. A special train over the Wabash left at 7 o'clock with sixty passengers and a number went on the regular train over the Central.

Those who are to represent the Decatur school in the contest are Bryant Vail, August Myers, Sidney Covington, Ed Odor, Charles Record, Wilbur Starling, Frank Lindsay and Ira Cloney.

Clever Work of English Bloodhounds.
W. H. Linn is in receipt of a late copy of the Atlanta, Ga., Constitution which contains a detailed account of the wonderful work of two English bloodhounds that recently pursued a convict and finally run him down after a circuitous chase of thirty miles. The convict had an hour's start but the hounds when they struck the trail followed it under great difficulties until after 12 o'clock at night. The convict was cunning. He went through swamps and plunged into rivers, swimming to the opposite shore, knowing that the dogs would be after him. The hounds were not fooled. Not once did they lose the scent. They clung to the trail and yelped lustily when at the close of the chase the convict nearly dead with exhaustion, was discovered emerging from a swamp.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALIA.
—Robert Taggart was in Chicago today on business.
—Mrs. S. P. Hoy went to Springfield today to visit her son, Edward, and family.
—C. A. Pollock, wife and family went to Champaign today to visit friends.
—Lealie Bevans will go to Chicago Sunday noon on a business trip of a few days.
—T. D. Smith arrived home today from Peoria where he has been for several days on business.
—Allan Bevans, who has been at Battle Creek, Mich., for his health, will be home next week. He writes that he has been greatly benefited by his visit in the north.
—C. P. Yates of Cerro Gordo, deputy state factory inspector, who was in Chicago this week on duty, was in the city today on his way home. He is the assessor for his township. He will secure an assistant to look after the assessments work.

Garden Seeds.
Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—Jan 9-2d&wt

Birth.
Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Appenzeller of Walnut Grove addition, on May 21, a son.

Cigars, Cigars.
Havanettes.....100 for \$1.75
Little Diana.....100 for \$1.50
5 for .10
Special prices to the trade. For sale at L. CHODAT'S NEWS LOOSE.

THE MAY FESTIVAL.

Preparations Almost Complete for the Big Event—250 Voices Will Take Part.—Admission Only 25 Cents.

The May Festival at the tabernacle next Thursday and Friday evening is now the talk of the city. Nearly a hundred voices are at work and every day is going. Preparations are almost complete so far as the singers are concerned. The big stage will be made still larger Monday drop curtains and decorations are ranged etc. etc. The tabernacle will be a scene of activity all the week. The festival will also upon 250 singers in every evening and the exercises will be in with Butterfield's celebrated glee club. The "Picnic" will be a complete part of the program the second evening—two numbers alike, and patrons who can come the first night need not fear a dose of crumbs the second evening for the program will be just as good if not better than the first. The work of the 100 children who are to render four operettas will surprise the audience. They have been drilling for several months and are prepared to render their part of the splendid program without a break. Prof. Calvin the director has given over 400 concerts during his musical career. He is no novice in his profession but a master of the first rank. At 25 cents there can be no excuse for staying away and it is therefore expected that the big building will be crowded to the street both nights. The reserved seat plat will open Tuesday morning at Otto F. Curtis & Bros.

ENDEAVOR NEWS.

Christian Endeavorers are now making ready to attend the international convention at San Francisco July 7 to 13. The railroad associations have settled the rate and the form of tickets and all other details in connection with the California excursion. No round trip tickets will be sold. The schedule of one way rates from Chicago is \$36, from St. Louis \$28 from Bloomington \$24.

Stopovers will be allowed at and west of Colorado common points also Chas. enne, Trinidad and El Paso. Stopovers also will be allowed on return trip via Portland or Puget sound points. San Francisco Endeavorers are making great preparations to entertain the visiting delegates. The citizens and C. E. Union of San Francisco have subscribed \$35,000 to defray expenses of this gathering. Their reception committee will number not less than 500.

The first county convention of the series was held last Sunday at Macon and was largely attended and a very helpful day for the Endeavorers. The second convention will be held at Mt. Zion tomorrow and it promises to be one of the best. Quite a number of the Decatur Endeavorers will be present. There will be five societies represented beside the Decatur people. The societies invited are Casper, Prairie Hall, New Hope and North Fork. The following program will be given by the representatives of the societies named.

6:30.
Sunrise prayer meeting at 7 in subject "C. E. Work and Character Building"—W. S. Smith, Mt. Zion 10 10

Opening exercises.
Greeting—J. F. Harbert Mt. Zion
Response—Miss Carrie F. Knapp Decatur

Song
Definite Work Its Worth—Miss Cora Ekles, New Hope
Discussion
The Bible, How to Know It—H. W. Use It—Edward Gayman, Prairie Hall 2 30.

Song service.
Possibilities of the Christian Endeavor—Miss Ella Mayers, North Fork
Junior Work—Miss Mabel Hatfield Decatur.

Committee Work—Mrs. T. I. Van Alen, North Fork.
Missionary Work—Miss Ethel Dwyer, Decatur.
Remarks by president of the county C. E. Union, Decatur. 7 30

Devotional exercises—Led by W. L. Reber, Mt. Zion
The Social Life of Our Young People—Ed Underwood, Casper
Men Whom God Can Use—C. W. Cloud, New Hope
Address—Christian Citizenship—Rev. Arthur Morrison, North Fork.

The third convention will be held at Orona next Sunday May 30 the fourth in Warrensburg, June 6. Next June 13 in Warrensburg, June 20.

The Aracuta society has elected the following new officers: President W. W. Kyle, vice president, Mrs. C. B. Carter, treasurer, Mrs. Ed Gerber, recording secretary, Mrs. Charles Wilson.

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